



Minor Prophets

Lesson 1: Introduction to the Most Amazing Men Who Ever Lived

1. Introduction to the prophets of God

They were not military generals, emperors, or kings.

They were often not eloquent speakers who moved people with their powerful speeches.

The most amazing men who lived changed the course of mankind by speaking the truth given to them by God.

2 Peter 1:21

2. The most amazing men who ever lived did not choose their victories.

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- Jeremiah was chosen while he was still in his mother's womb.

Jeremiah 1:5

- Samuel was chosen by God before his parents conceived him.

1 Samuel 1:11

3. The most amazing men who ever lived were men of faith who called the nonexistent into being.

Romans 4:17

4. The most amazing men who ever lived were men of prophecy.

Prophecy is defined as _____

Predictions are our opinions of what will happen in the future.

Ezekiel 13:3

5. The most amazing men who ever lived were sent by God to an unworthy world.

Hebrews 11:38

6. The most amazing men who ever lived were all different.

- Elisha was bald.

2 Kings 2:23

- Amos was a herdsman. He tended flocks of sheep and goats.

Amos 7:14

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He rebuked and inspired his generation.

Jeremiah 36:6, 7

- Elijah spoke like thundering bolts of lightning.

I Kings 18:24

- Elijah opposed kings, governors, and magistrates

2 Kings 1:3

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2 Kings 1:10

- Hosea married a prostitute.

God told Hosea to marry a prostitute so he could be a visible, living symbol of the spiritual corruption of the nation.

Hosea 1:2

7. The most amazing men who ever lived ministered in times of urgency.

- Moses came on the scene when Israel was in captivity in Egypt.

- Elijah confronted the evil government of Ahab and Jezebel.
- Daniel's ministry took him through five kings who did not serve God.

8. The most amazing men who ever lived prepared the way for the soon coming Messiah.

Malachi 4:5, 6

9. The most amazing men who ever lived would not sell their souls like other men.

- They did not sell themselves for earthly prestige.

I Samuel 18:8-16

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2 Kings 5:20-27

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Joseph refused to be with Potiphar's wife.

Genesis 39:9

Daniel was offered royal food and wine.

Daniel 1:8

Moses could have enjoyed the luxury and pleasure of being raised in Pharaoh's palace.

Hebrews 11:24-26